



# City of Santa Barbara

## Public Works Department

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**SUBJECT: State Route 225 Relinquishment**

Dear Ms. Loe:

We appreciate the time Director Richard Krumholz, Chief Steve Price, and you gave to our conference call on December 3, 2010, to discuss specifics on State Route 225 (SR 225). The City and Caltrans have expended significant effort towards this relinquishment, and after discussing the details of the relinquishment funding, it now appears that we may still be able to reach a consensus, subject to our City Council passing the appropriate Resolution to move forward with relinquishment.

We discussed your July 22, 2010, letter, where a total of \$997,000 was identified for payment to the City in consideration of maintenance work that the City would perform to bring the roadway into a reasonable condition of good repair. This includes \$697,000 for drainage work and \$300,000, primarily for bridge work.

At the time, what appeared to be missing from the City's perspective, was sufficient funding for pavement maintenance. However, it was realized in our discussion that Caltrans is already programmed to perform a significant amount of maintenance work in 2011.

The City and Caltrans agree that there is an immediate need for a surface seal on the roadway's pavement. It has been more than 5 years since the roadway overlay, and it is beginning to show localized distress. Caltrans is scheduling for this fiscal year a "Micro-surfacing" Pavement Maintenance Project that is anticipated to meet the intent of the approximately \$1.9M programmed in the 2006 Caltrans maintenance budget documents.

If the above-referenced understanding is mutual, then we will proceed to schedule the appropriate Council Resolution at the February 15, 2011, Council meeting for their consideration and approval. Upon approval, we will continue to work with Caltrans on arrangements to have the necessary legislative bill sponsored through the state legislature to move forward with the relinquishment.

An item we didn't discuss on our conference call was the Caltrans review of the City's Los Positas/Cliff Drive Improvement project, whose construction is grant

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funded through the State Transportation Improvement Program. The timing of the potential relinquishment will affect the scheduling of the project review and construction, significantly. Your support to expedite your project reviews while the anticipated relinquishment is in process will be appreciated.

We look forward to working out some of these details in the near future and completing the necessary Cooperative Agreement.

Sincerely,



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